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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: METHOD OF IDENTIFYING AND/OR  
ISOLATING STEM CELLS AND  
PROGNOSING RESPONSIVENESS TO  
LEUKEMIA TREATMENT

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action mailed March 21, 2006, please consider the following amendments and remarks. This Amendment is accompanied by a Petition for a One (1) Month Extension of Time, up to and including July 21, 2006, and the required fee. It is believed that no additional fees are required for these submissions. However, should it be found that additional fees are required or a refund owed for this application, the Director is authorized to credit any overpayments and/or charge any additional fees during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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